

WØMTL — **Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News** — WØKEM

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

Wednesday – February 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM

H.A.R.C. NEW, PERMANENT MEETING LOCATION

MARION COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 142 JAYCEE DRIVE, HANNIBAL, MISSOURI

Driving Directions (From the South): Route 61 into the city. Continue past the turn off for **MODOT offices**. The next Left is **Clinic Road (Poage Jeep/Chrysler)**. Turn Left onto Clinic Road and continue to the intersection of Communication Drive. Turn Left onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

(From the North/East/West): Route 61 south to **Clinic Road (Right turn just past Wendy's)**. Turn right onto Clinic Road and go to intersection of **Communication Drive**. Turn Right onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – FEBRUARY 2017

6 KDØHHN DON
13 KDØYTH STEVE
20 KB9VIS BRIAN
27 WØPGL TONY

SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2017

DATES FOR 2017 :

APRIL 12, 2017
JULY 12, 2017
OCTOBER 11, 2017

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Larry Lauer at Larry@alauer.com or 573-406-0383. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening

The 2017 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

WALK INS ARE WELCOME.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!



HARC MINUTES FOR JANUARY 2017 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN

Hannibal Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting Minutes January 11, 2017

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:05pm with 21 people present including 5 guests. Skipping introductions, Don asked if there were any proposals for membership. Ed (N0WNV) nominated Nancy Bartlett for a lifetime membership. Nancy is the XYL of the late Carol Bartlett (WA9EFV). The motion was seconded by Chet (W0CCR), Gene (W0GZ) and John (KC9MMO). The motion carried. Congratulations Nancy!

Don asked if everyone had read the minutes for December, and asked for any changes or corrections, Hearing none he asked for a motion to approve. A motion was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Tony (W0PGL). The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry (WB2UFO) read the Treasurer's Report for December 2016. Last month's Ending Balance was \$1,243.98, this month's Ending Balance is \$1,531.98, and the CD Balance is \$1,324.63, making the Club's Total Assets \$2,856.61. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Gene (W0GZ). The motion carried.

Repeaters:

Don reported no known problems with either machine. We are in the process of scheduling a time when Fred (KB0WIL) can meet with Vern (W5UYF) and Shane (KD0UWU) and discuss what needs to be done as far as maintaining the repeaters.

Unfinished Business:

The Amateur Radio Parity Act did not make it through Congress. Don (KD0HHN) reported it did not get out of the Senate due to Senator Bill Nelson (D-FL) opposing the bill. A new session in Congress might help the bill to get passed. There are several measures that can be taken to bypass the opposition with sufficient time. Cliff (K0CA) stressed the fact that we need to keep contacting our elected officials.

New Business:

Don (KD0HHN) announced an upcoming Storm Spotters Class. It will be held at the Shirley Bomar Building on Munger Lane February 28th at 6:30pm. Contact John Hark at (573) 231-2650 for any questions or information. Also related to weather, Gene (W0GZ) donated a weather radio to be raffled at the end of the meeting.

Don (KD0HHN) read a letter emailed to him from the Civil Air Patrol inquiring if any of our members would consider joining the Civil Air Patrol Northeast Missouri Composite Squadron to act as communications officer. At present this squadron has 13 members, both senior and cadet, with only one qualified to operate CAP radios. If anyone would like to join the squadron and take charge of the communications area and training, contact Don.

Don (KD0HHN) displayed a "Life Member" plaque that we will present to Fred (KB0WIL). Don reminded everyone that Club dues are now payable for 2017.

50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Dave (KB0RZN) and donated back to the Club.

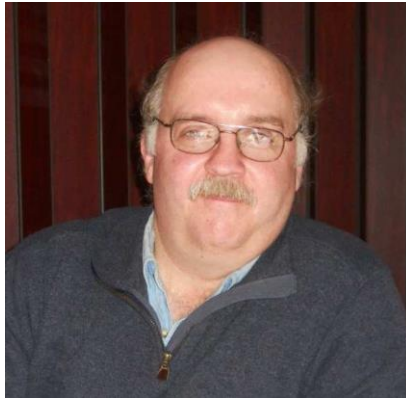
Weather Radio Drawing:

The weather radio donated by Gene ((W0GZ) was won by Vern (W5UYF)

A motion to adjourn was made by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Vern (W5UYF). The motion carried and the meeting adjourned. Testing followed the meeting.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
BY DON VARY KDØHHN



Well, here we are in the start of a new year, with all the thoughts and hopes that it will be a better year for all. By the time this newsletter gets out, we will have a new President sworn into office with his promise to make this country great again. I would like to ask everyone to give the man a chance. I know that President-elect Trump has many people worried and concerned because he is not "one of us" as so many of the establishment think. Instead he is someone who has appealed to the people outside of the establishment who are tired of the business as usual never accomplish anything mindset that has ruled Washington DC for so long. Hopefully, given a fair chance, I feel that he will do quite a bit to change how things are done by our government, and make them realize that "We the People" are their bosses and not the other way around.

Well, enough of my rants. As I mentioned at the last meeting, there will be a Severe Weather Storm Spotter class on the 28th of February at the Shirley Bomar building on Munger Lane. The class starts at 6:30pm and runs for about 2 hours. The class is taught by Jim Kramper from the National Weather Service office in St. Louis and those who attend can get registered as storm spotters for the NWS. There is no charge for the class and no pre-registration is needed. If you have any questions, contact John Hark, Hannibal/Marion County Emergency Management Director at 231-2650. The class is very informative and a good way to spend a couple of hours on a Tuesday night.

Congratulations are in order for Elizabeth Stone, KEØKCT, for passing her General Exam. Liz got her Technician license last August from the Technician class that Larry, Cliff and myself ran, and has added her General ticket within just a few months. Congrats Liz and looking forward to hearing you on HF. Additional congratulations go out to Bonnie Sinclair, WBØWAP, who was named Member of the Year for 2016. Bonnie served as editor of the newsletter for many years, as well as being a Volunteer Examiner for licensing exams. Also Nancy Bartlett, who was awarded Lifetime Membership in honor of her late husband Carol Bartlett, WA9EFV. Carol was Secretary of the Breakfast Club net, as well as the head of the "Redneck Retreat" He will be missed by all, and I could think of nothing better to honor him by presenting Lifetime Membership to Nancy. Well, I guess that's all for now, everyone stay safe and we'll see you down the log.

73
Don

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DX FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO



Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

Hello again my DX friends,

How do we hams cope with the colder temperatures and fewer hours of sunlight in the winter months? Well, of course by working all the great DX that comes rolling in from the charged ionosphere.

With the courtesy of the ARRL and the Ohio/Penn DX Packet Cluster to help us, here is this month's list

Larry
WB2UFO

ARRL International CW Contest (February 18-19th)

MALTA, 9H. Special event station 9H2017EU is QRV until June 2017 to mark the 2017 Maltese European Union Presidency. QSL direct to 9H1SP.

WEST MALAYSIA, 9M2. Rich, PA0RRS is QRV as 9M2MRS from Penang Island, IOTA AS-015, until the end of January 2018. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters using CW, RTTY, JT65, JT9 and some SSB. QSL to home call.

TONGA, A3. Tack, JE1CKA, Miho, JJ2VLY, Yutaka, JQ2GYU and Hiro,

A31MM will be QRV as A35W and A35NN from Tongatapu Island, IOTA OC-049, from January 24 to 31. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. This includes being an entry in the upcoming CQ World Wide 160 Meter CW contest. QSL A35MM and A35NN via JJ2VLY.

GUADELOUPE, FG. Jean-Pierre, F6ITD is QRV as TO7D and FG/F6ITD from La Desirade Island, IOTA NA-102, until March 9. Activity is on 160 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and various digital modes. QSL to home call.

HONDURAS, HR. Jesse, KB2OBQ is QRV as KB2OBQ/HR1 from Tegucigalpa for the next few months. Activity is with QRP power on 40 and 20 meters. QSL via operator's instructions.

SLOVAK REPUBLIC, OM. Special event station OM42KYSUCE is QRV until the end of June 2017 during the context of the 42nd ARDF Kysuca Cup that will be held on June 16 to 18. QSL via OM3CND.

CURACAO, PJ2. Jeff, K8ND, and Jim, W8WTS are QRV as PJ2/K8ND and PJ2/W8WTS, respectively, until February 1. They plan to be active as PJ2T in the upcoming CQ World Wide 160 Meter CW contest. QSL PJ2/K8ND via K8ND, PJ2/W8WTS via W8WTS, and PJ2T via W3HNK.

IVORY COAST, TU. Operators Bertrand, DF3FS, Norbert, DJ7JC, Emil, DL8JJ and Heye, DJ9RR will be QRV as TU5MH from January 22 to February 2. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via DJ5BWD.

CANADA, VE. Members of the Eureka Amateur Radio Club station VY0ERC will be QRV from Eureka, Ellesmere Island, IOTA NA-008, beginning January 22 until early April 2017. Activity will be when conditions allow. QSL direct to M0OXO.

FALKLAND ISLANDS, VP8. Dave, VP8CLE and Carol, VP8DKW are QRV from Bleaker Island, IOTA SA-002, from January 23 to 30. Activity will be mainly on 160 and 80 meters, as well as the higher bands depending on conditions, using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL direct to G1OCN.

CAYMAN ISLANDS, ZF. Stan, K5GO will be QRV as ZF9CW from January 22 to February 23. Activity will be mainly on 160 meters, with a focus on the upcoming CQ World Wide 160 Meter CW and ARRL DX CW contests. QSL direct to home call.

AFRICAN TOUR (Reminder). Peter, HA3AUI, will be active from two West African countries between January 20th and March 5th. His plans are to be active as 6W2SC from Cabrousse, Senegal, and as J5UAP from Cabroxo, Guinea-Bissau. Specific dates were not provided. Watch his Web page for possible updates at:
<http://cqafrika.net/en/welcome/index.html>
QSL via LoTW or direct via his home callsign HA3AUI.

FG, GUADELOUPE. Herve, F5HRY, is once again active as FG/F5HRY from Guadeloupe (NA-102) until February 2nd. Activity is on various HF bands using CW. QSL via his home callsign.

HC, ECUADOR. Rick, NE8Z/HC1MD, will be active between January 22nd and February 8th from Ecuador and various areas as HC1MD/***. QSL via direct to K8LJG & LoTW after the trip. VIEW the HC/Ecuador and HC8/Galapagos DX-Diplomas at: <http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z>

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. A team of U.S. operators will be meeting at GITMO (NA-015) during various times between February 10-24th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via the operator's home callsign, LoTW or ClubLog.

TX5, AUSTRAL ISLANDS. Members of the CanAm DX Group will be active as TX5T from Raivavae Island (OC-114) in the Australs between February 20th and March 3rd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. Look for details and updates <http://www.Australs2017.com>

V3, BELIZE. Victor, WB0TEV, will be active as V31VP from Blackman Eddy Village (west of Belmopan) between February 8-14th. Activity will be on various HF bands including an entry in the CQWW WPX RTTY Contest (February 11-12th). He will use 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

V3, BELIZE. Art, NN7A, will be active as V31JZ/p Belize between February 15-21st. This will be a one-person operation using a 100 watt transceiver and wire antennas. Operation will be mostly CW on 160-10 meters. His activity will also include the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL direct via NN7A (Art Phillips, P.O. Box 73, Eckert, CO 81418 USA), or via the ARRL Bureau.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLANDS. Steve, W3HF, is active as VQ9HF from Diego Garcia Island until January 27th. Activity will be limited because of his work, but he will be on 40-10 meters using PSK31. QSL via his home callsign, direct, by the Bureau, LoTW or eQSL.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS. Operators John/K6AM and Dan/N6MJ will be active as ZF1A from Grand Cayman Island during the ARRL International DX CW Contest (February 18-19th) QSL K6AM, direct, by the W6 Bureau or LoTW.

ZL, NEW ZEALAND. Operators Mark/ZL3AB, Geoff/ZL3GA and Phil/ZL3PAH will use the "Quake Contesters" callsign ZL3X during the ARRL International CW Contest (February 18-19th). QSL via LoTW or direct to ZL3PAH.

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